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NODE DEVICE AND METHOD Yorktown Hts, N.Y. 10598  
FOR BRIDGING AND PRIVACY

**RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 10, 2007  
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**Listing of Claims** which begins on page 2.

**Remarks/arguments** which begin on page 13.